

# MICHIGAN CHAPTER SEMINAR

## Soil & Water Conservation Society

Friday, March 2, 2018, 9:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. at [Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center](#)  
219 S. Harrison Road, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan

### **A Matter of Balance:**

### *Managing Soil and Crop Nutrient Systems to Protect Water Quality*

Research results and on-farm observation have shown that runoff water from rainfall and snowmelt is nutrient-rich. This runoff carries nutrient-laden sediment into surface and subsurface drains through channels formed by plant roots, soil fauna, and other natural phenomena. Tools for managing nutrients are improving, yet farmers have many questions about how to manage their cropping system to build soil health, and water quality problems associated with sediment and excess nutrients persist.

Conference speakers include national experts and experienced crop producers who will share experience and insight into how to capture crop nutrients and organic inputs in the root zone for crop use, and to build soil health and protect waterways. For more information, and to register, go to <http://www.miglswcs.org/events-and-archives/>

## SPEAKERS

### **Clare Lindahl, CEO**

**Soil and Water Conservation Society**  
**Des Moines, Iowa**

“Professionals and Partnerships for Progress”

### **Dr. Ehsan Ghane, Assistant Professor**

**Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering**  
**Michigan State University**

“Collaborative Edge-of-Field Projects to Protect Michigan Water Quality”

### **Brock Gobrogge, CCA**

**Crop Manager, Dykhuis Farms, Inc.**  
**Holland, Michigan**

“A Farmer’s Perspective on Managing Soil Sustainability”

### **Dr. Carrie Laboski, Professor of Soil Science**

**Soil Extension Specialist, Soil Fertility/Nutrient Management**

**University of Wisconsin-Madison**

“In-season N Applications for Corn: Pros & Cons”

and

“Dairy Manure N Availability as Influenced by Application Timing, Manure Treatment, and Nitrification Inhibitor Use”

### **Aliana Nunn, Research Associate**

**Institute of Water Research**

**Michigan State University**

“Impact of Water Quality Data on Farmer Attitudes, Knowledge, and Behavior toward Conservation: A Case Study”



Fostering the science and art of soil and water conservation in Michigan and the Great Lakes Region.